## Splunk Core Certified Consultant FAQ

### Recertification Deadline Expired Next Steps

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<th>Q: I did not complete the Core Consultant track requirements by the January 31, 2021 deadline. Can I get an extension? What are my next steps?</th>
<th>A: No exceptions can be granted to this deadline and no additional extensions will be granted. Candidates with no current certifications (meaning no Pearson VUE certification exams passed) must complete the following (in order*). Items in gray are Splunk Education courses—candidates who have taken past versions of these courses are not required to retake the courses:</th>
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*Candidates who are Splunk Certified at any level do not need to retake any current (unexpired) certification exams. See [next page](#) for the full certification track.

| Q: Do I need to retake any courses? | A: **No. Candidates are NOT required to retake previously completed courses.** Candidates who completed the Core Implementation ILT course (formerly known as SCC II bootcamp) prior to 2018 may wish to retake this course as the content has changed. |

| Q: What future steps are required for me to keep this certification current? | A: All Splunk Certifications now follow a 3-year recertification cycle. For more information, please see our [Splunk Certification Candidate Handbook](#). |
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Full Track Requirements

Prerequisite Certification(s):
- Splunk Core Certified Power User
- Splunk Core Certified Advanced Power User*
- Splunk Enterprise Certified Admin
- Splunk Enterprise Certified Architect

Prerequisite Course(s):
- Core Consultant Labs
  - Indexer Cluster Implementation
  - Distributed Search Migration
  - Implementation Fundamentals
  - Architect Implementation 1-3
- Services Core Implementation

Splunk Core Certified Consultant Exam

Time to study! We require candidates looking to register for this exam to complete the following prerequisite courses:
- Core Consultant Labs
- Services Core Implementation

Candidates who are Splunk Enterprise Certified Architects and have completed all of the above courses must contact certification@splunk.com to request their Core Consultant exam authorization.

See here for registration assistance.

*The Splunk Certified Advanced Power User badge can be replaced by prior completion of Fundamentals 3, Creating Dashboards, Advanced Searching & Reporting or completion of the following courses:
- Using Fields
- Working with Time
- Comparing Values
- Result Modification
- Leveraging Lookups and Subsearches
- Correlation Analysis
- Search Under the Hood
- Multivalue Fields
- Search Optimization
- Creating Field Extractions
- Enriching Data with Lookups
- Data Models
- Creating Maps
- Introduction to Dashboards
- Dynamic Dashboards

Recommended Next Steps
- None

Congratulations! You are a...